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MERRILL LYNCH SWEEPS THE BOARD IN THIS YEAR'S REUTERS/TEMPEST GLOBAL EMERGING MARKETS SURVEY

***Merrill Lynch wins four out of five global awards including
Best Broker, Best Investment Bank, Best Broker Research Product & Service,
and Best Broker Execution.***

London, 29 November, 2000 – Merrill Lynch today swept the board in the annual Reuters/Tempest Global Emerging Markets Survey. The firm was awarded four out of five key global awards, and in all won 12 of the survey's 20 main categories.

"We are absolutely thrilled to have achieved such exceptional results in this year's Reuters/Tempest survey," said **Paul Raphaël, country manager for Central and South East Europe, the Middle East and North Africa**. "These awards underline Merrill Lynch's continued commitment to emerging markets by providing our clients with some of the highest quality research and levels of service across all aspects of our business."

The 20 awards were:

Best Broker Research Product & Service according to Fund management Groups

Global Emerging Markets	Merrill Lynch
Asia	Merrill Lynch
EMEA	UBS Warburg
LATAM	Merrill Lynch

Best Broker according to Corporations

Global Emerging Markets	Merrill Lynch
Asia	Goldman Sachs
EMEA	Merrill Lynch
LATAM	Merrill Lynch

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Best Investment Bank according to Corporations

Global Emerging Markets	Merrill Lynch
Asia	Goldman Sachs
EMEA	Merrill Lynch
LATAM	JP Morgan

Best Broker Execution according to Buy-Side Trading Desks

Global Emerging Markets	Merrill Lynch
Asia	Merrill Lynch
EMEA	Merrill Lynch
LATAM	Merrill Lynch

Best Fund Management Group according to Corporations

Global Emerging Markets	Fidelity Investments
Asia	Fidelity Investments
EMEA	Capital Group
LATAM	Fidelity Investments

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Notes to Editors

1. Merrill Lynch is one of the world's leading financial management and advisory companies with offices in 44 countries and total client assets of about \$1.8 trillion. As an investment bank, it is the top global underwriter and market maker of debt and equity securities and a leading strategic advisor to corporations, governments, institutions, and individuals worldwide. Through Merrill Lynch Investment Managers, the company is one of the world's largest managers of financial assets. For more information on Merrill Lynch, go to www.ml.com.
2. Merrill Lynch is the top-rated financial research firm in the world, with over 800 analysts in 26 countries covering the performance of more than 3,700 companies worldwide. In Europe, the Middle East and Africa, Merrill Lynch has more than 200 analysts covering over 1,500 companies.

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